



## INSIDE **WEEK:**



Drug dealer had one kilo bar of cocaine in car



### Watch the Duke of Lancaster's Regiment march through the town

RESIDENTS are invited to watch the 1st Battalion, The Duke of Lancaster's Regiment parade in Ormskirk today (Wednesday) to exercise its Freedom of the Borough with "drums beating, and bayonets fixed." All residents are welcome to attend and

celebrate along with schools in Ormskirk, who will be invited to share the experience

As part of the parade, they will attend a church service at Ormskirk Parish church and later will be inspected by the High

Sheriff of Lancashire with the Mayor.
The 1st Battalion last paraded in West
Lancashire in 2011 after originally receiv-

ing the Freedom of the Borough in 2010. The ceremonial parade was due to take place in 2020 but had to be postponed due to the pandemic.

The Regiment was formed in 2006 from the merger of three historic north west regi-

Between them they have won 60 Victoria Crosses and a George Cross and they are the only regiment of any army at any time in history to carry battle honours from

every inhabited continent on their Colours. The Regiment is also known as the 'Lions of England' and the Queen is the Colonel-

The route will be stepping off from the council offices Derby Street at 10.30am, parading along Derby Street West to Ormskirk Parish Church for a church service.

Following the service at about 12.30pm, they will parade down Church Street onto Moor Street to the saluting base to be inspected by High Sheriff of Lancashire. Martin Ainscough DL, accompanied by Col AP Kennedy, Deputy Colonel of the Regiment, and the Mayor at 12.45pm.

They will then continue along Wigan Road and then enter Abbotsford to arrive back at the council offices.

## TWO MEN ARRESTED **OVER FLATS EXPLOSION**

Two held on suspicion of producing drugs but blast currently being treated as 'unexplained' by police

Report by **Henry James** 

TWO men have been arrested following the explosion at flats in Tanfields, Skelmersdale last week which left five people injured. The blast happened shortly after 6pm last Tuesday,

May 17 and caused significant damage to a ground floor and first-floor flat.

Three people were taken to hospital, one with a minor head injury and a man later attended hospital with burn injuries which were not life-threatening.

Four people escaped from the first-floor flat and one person from the ground floor property while residents in neighbouring flats had to be temporarily evacuated.

Police are keeping an open mind as to the cause of the explosion and at this stage it is being treated as unexplained.

A 29-year-old man from Darlington was arrested last week on suspicion of production of a class B drug and causing an explosive substance likely to endanger life or cause serious injury.

As part of the investigation police were looking to locate Robert Nolan, 40, from Skelmersdale.

A 40-year-old man has also now been arrested on suspicion of producing controlled drug. He has since



The aftermath of the explosion at the flats in Tanfields in Skelmersdale.

been released on bail pending further enquiries.

Police are continuing to appeal for witnesses and footage in relation the explosion.

DC Sean Reddington, of South CID, said: "This incident has caused significant damage to the properties and left a number of people displaced

"Our investigation is ongoing to establish the cause of the explosion and we would ask people to check any footage – phone, CCTV, dashcam or door-bell – that they may have covering the area to see if they have captured anything which could assist us.

"We would also like to speak to anyone who saw anything suspicious earlier in the day of the incident

or in the period directly after the explosion. We also want to hear from anybody who saw any suspicious vehicles in the area in the days before the explo-

"Whatever information you have, please get in touch."

To upload footage click unitedkingdom1cpp-portal.digital-policing.co.uk/lancashire/appeal/ have-you-seen-wanted-robert-nolan-40-fromskelmersdale.

Anyone with information is asked to email 2340@lancashire.police.uk or call 101, quoting log 1311 of May 17, 2022.

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## Former footballer is council's first female leader

Report by **Henry James** 

**COUNCILLOR Yvonne Gagen** has been voted in as the first female leader of West Lan-

cashire Borough Council.

The Labour Party councillor, formerly deputy leader and cabinet member for leisure and human resources has now taken up the reins from the outgoing leader Ian Moran. A former footballer

played for Everton and Wigan, as well as the Wales international side Cllr Gagen, worked for the council for

several years in various roles involving sports.

She started as a pool attendant at Nye Bevan swimming pool in Skelmersdale, and then moved to Park Pool in Ormskirk as a pool attendant/swimming teacher.

After spending seven years there she moved to Burscough Sports Centre as site supervisor and later to Skelmersdale Sports Centre as assistant sports development officer.

After a short time was promoted to sports development project manager before being made redundant in 2010.

Councillor Gagen said she was committed to

"working with all parties despite political differ-

She said: "I am delighted and honoured to have been selected as the new leader of the council.
"I am committed to leading from the front as well

**Councillor Yvonne Gagen** 

as working with all parties despite our political differences towards what is best for our residents

"We have ambitious plans for the borough, including two new health and wellbeing hubs, which I am proud to have championed as portfolio holder for leisure.

"I also want to continue to deliver quality housing that would significantly help with our

would significantly fier housing waiting list. "I will continue to push for pos-change across West itive change across West Lancashire while steering the borough through the current cost

of living crisis towards a more prosperous future.
"I would also like to thank Ian Moran for his

years of dedicated service to the people of the borough and for his leadership through some very difficult times, not least the Covid pandemic.

"He was dedicated to our residents and tangibly improved their lives and prospects through his leadership. I wish him and his family the very best for the future.

The new leader of the borough council had

worked for the borough council for 32 years. Cllr Gagen said: "I decided to become a councillor so I could still have a community engagement with all the clubs and organisations I had the pleasure of working with and created.

"I felt by becoming a councillor I could continue my work and support those that needed help."

Labour Councillor Gareth Dowling has also been selected as deputy leader of the council.

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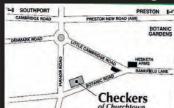


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#### Chance to try your hand at bowls during national 'Big Weekend'

BOWLS is having its national 'Big Weekend' on May 28 and 29 and two local clubs in the Ormskirk area are throwing open their doors for anyone to come and try the sport for

Bowls, say enthusiasts, is a great activity to meet new people and to get some gentle exercise in the fresh air. It is also a sport that is inexpensive to play and one in which the whole family can play together, from young to old, whatever their athletic ability.

The Saracens Head Bowling Club will be running its open day event on Saturday, May 28 from 11am to 4pm. This club is located right by the Saracens Head pub in Halsall, and there will be plenty of club members to

on Sunday, May 29 from 1pm to 4.30pm Ormskirk Bowling Club will be holding a 'Coffee, Cakes and Bowling' event, where residents can get a taste of bowls as well as some delicious home made cakes.

Ormskirk BC is located at the back of Ormskirk Cricket Club off Altys Lane, and welcomes beginners and junior players.

Lynda Hodge, the secretary of the Saracens Head BC commented: "The Bowls' Big Week-end is a great opportunity to come and see

our club and give bowls a try."
Nigel Whitehurst, the secretary of Ormskirk BC, added: "We have all ages playing at our club. Once you give it a go you are sure to be hooked.

"Last year Ormskirk BC ran events for the Bowls Big Weekend and attracted more than 30 new members as a result."

People can book onto one or both events via the Bowls Big Weekend website (https://www.bowlsbigweekend.com/) or just turn up on the day. They can bring along as many friends or family as they wish. It is totally free and all equipment is supplied.

## Drug dealer was found with a kilo bar of cocaine and £18,000 cash in car

Man who was jailed for nine years kept huge stash of drugs in unit he rented

Report by **Henry James** 

A DRUG dealer from Burscough who planned the supply of £800,000 worth of cocaine has been jailed for nine years and two months.

John Germaine, 33, of Holt Drive, was arrested on September 27 last year on Bolton Road, Ashton-in-Makerfield, near Wigan, by officers from the specialist Mer-seyside Organised Crime Partnership (OCP)

On the back seat of his white Ford Kuga was £13,000 in cash and a one kilo bar of cocaine with a purity of 83%.

In the glove compartment, officers found a further £4,880 in cash and 124 grams of cocaine with a purity of 74%.

OCP officers searched a storage unit in



John Germaine

Burscough which Germaine rented and they discovered nine more kilos of cocaine and 6.4 kilos of cannabis. Germaine used the storage unit to prepare drugs for onwards supply. Between May 2019 and September 2021 there were deposits and outgoings from Germaine's bank account totalling around £133,000.

During the same period he paid just £730

tax from his job as a courier.

Germaine admitted possession with intent to supply Class A and B drugs and possession of criminal property at Liverpool Crown

Alongside him was Daniel Weaver, 35, of Cherry Lane, Anfield, Liverpool.

Weaver was a passenger in the car when it was stopped and his fingerprints were on

was stopped and his hingerprints were on some of the cocaine packaging.

He was convicted by a jury of possession with intent to supply Class A drugs and acquiring/using criminal property. He was

jailed for seven years.

The OCP is a specialist team of officers from the National Crime Agency and Merseyside Police.

The unit was formed to help fight drugs

and firearms crime across Merseyside.

Detective Chief Inspector Paul Speight said: "Germaine was clearly an important link between street deals and larger consignments of drugs moving around the North

West.

"He played a leading role in this conspiracy as he'd rented and operated a secure location where he could prepare his deals."

## 24 hour gym to open at Hattersley retail park despite noise concerns

Report by Henry James

A GYM open 24 hours a day, seven days a week is set open in Ormskirk despite noise concerns from residents in nearby

PureGym is due to open at the Hattersley Centre retail park on Hattersley Way at a site which was used by Poundworld.

Officers at West Lancashire Council are recommending that it be allowed to open and it is expected to be approved at a planning committee (Wednesday, May 25). meeting

A planning document by a council officer states that there concerns over noise from music being played in the gyms and from the car park.
It states that tests on sound insulation of

the building determined that noise from any late evening formal class activities would not have a significant adverse impact on houses on Atkinson Road or Old Boundary Way.

However objections to the proposal have been received from two properties on Old Boundary Road; two properties on Burscough Road and one property on Brooklands.

The grounds for objection include con-

cerns about noise and disturbance to neighbouring residential properties.

One objector from Old Boundary Way wrote: "We already have stores continuing to deliver and unload outside of their permitted times couring properties." mitted times causing noise from lorries. I



The Hattersley Centre Retail Park on Hattersley Way in Ormskirk

object to the site being able to operate 24 hours a day due to the noise and disturbance this will cause." ance this will cause.

A PureGym spokesperson said: "Pure-Gym always aims to be a "good neighbour" and we take our responsibilities extremely seriously with regards to noise inside and outside our gyms. We work hard to ensure that local residents and businesses are not adversely impacted by our presence and put measures in place to keep noise to a minimum.

"In Ormskirk, we have specifically assessed car park noise and our planning application was supported by an Environmental Noise Impact Assessment Report, which concluded that any impact associted with use of the ass posline facility. ated with use of the car parking facility during the night-time is negligible based on existing background noise levels."





Aughton Male Voice Choir is back at rehearsals at Aughton Village Hall, Winifred Lane, Aughton, every Monday at 7.30pm

Chairman Jackson Headings said, "We are kick-starting our new season of concerts with a 'Friends and Family' event on Monday 30th May at Aughton Village Hall. For further information please contact us below:"

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## Student flats plan submitted for upper floors of former pub

Report by **Henry James** 

AN application to convert the upper floors of the former Market Cross pub in Church Street, Orm-

skirk to into student accommodation.

The building on Church Street has previously been known as the Snig's Foot Hotel and Disraeli's

It closed as a pub in November 2021 and has been vacant since then.

The upper floors of the building have always been used for residential accommodation.

Planning documents state the proposed development would help address the "need for more student accommodation close to the Edge Hill University campus

The planning statement adds that it would help relieve the pressure for houses of multiple occupation (HMOs) in the residential areas of Ormskirk.

HMOs have been causes of community tension in the

This scheme also hopes to help "support the vitality and viability of Ormskirk town centre through additional footfall and expenditure."

The proposed development would also "comply with the relevant policies in the development plan and would result in a number of benefits."

The planning document for the application states: "Planning permission should therefore be granted without delay."

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## Drainage system defects caused 2016 flash floods

County council working to improve resilience as climate change set to make torrential downpours more common

Report by **Henry James** 

DEFECTS to drainage systems on public and private land caused the flash floods in Skelmersdale in 2016, according to a report.
The Lancashire County Council report

outlines action needed to improve resilience to flooding and also identifies lessons learned to help reduce the risks from sim-

ilar incidents in the future.

The defects to drainage systems in Skelmersdale were identified and either repaired by the county council or highlighted to other agencies or landowners so they could address the issues.

Flash flooding is becoming much more common in the UK because of climate change, where

higher temperatures are leading to more unpre-

dictable torrential downpours.
County Councillor Stephen Clarke, lead member for flooding, said: "Incidents like these are becom-



Flooding on Neverstitch Close in Skelmersdale in June 2016

ing more and more commonplace due to climate change.

"It's difficult for any drainage systems to cope

with the extra strain this puts on them, but we must adapt. We're working with our partners, land and building owners and encouraging them to put measures in place to ensure floodwater doesn't enter property, and to take steps to ensure their property can bounce back quicker if it is flooded.

County Councillor Shaun Turner, cabinet member for environment added: "Ensuring the natural cape and built environment be more resilient to events looding is crucial.

ish flooding is a very diffiproblem to address. Most age systems can get overned very quickly and the water washes debris into blocking them up, even if e been cleaned out previ-

ensure highways teams are and quickly with the latest ment to clear the drains and ess any problems that arise during flooding incidents.

'We also carry out investigations such as the ones in Skelmersdale and work with partner organisations, local people, businesses and landowners to take action to reduce

the risk of flooding.
"We've introduced a new flood risk management strategy and we're working on projects such as peatland restoration programmes and tree planting schemes, which help to hold back water to prevent floods and slow the flow into the rivers

"Improved drainage measures will also ensure our county is more resistant to climate change.

### Boy, 15, arrested near station for having craft knife

A TEENAGER from Burscough was arrested by police near Southport railway station for being in possession of a craft knife.

The 15-year-old was stopped by officers last week on London Street, near to the entrance to the railway station, on suspicion of possession of cannabis.

After a search was carried out, the teenager was found to be in posses-

sion of cannabis and a craft knife.

Due to the location of the arrest, the investigation has been passed over to the British Transport Police.

It comes during a week when officers have been working to reduce knife crime in the Southport and Formby areas with knife crime presentations were carried out by officers at high schools.

Meanwhile, police have also been conducting 'test purchasing opera-tions' in local shops, where they challenge staff on store regulations and legislation over selling knife products to minors.

Of the five shops where these tests were carried out, two stores failed, leading to advice being given to store management.

## Clock Tower set to be fixed in time for Jubilee

Report by **Henry James** 

ORMSKIRK'S Clock Tower in the town centre is set to be working again in time for the Jubilee celebrations.

Residents have been lobbying the authority for some time for the clock to be fixed and West Lancashire Borough Council has confirmed it will now be repaired in time the Queen's Platinum Jubilee on Thursday, June

The Champion recently published a letter from a resident which stated that the broken clock reflected badly on the town as it was a focal point in Ormskirk.

They added that it was ironic that one of the new artworks in the town depicted a famous clock maker from Ormskirk.

A borough council spokesperson stated that they had been working to get the Clock Tower fixed. She said: "We have been in close

contact with clockmakers Smith of Derby regarding the refurbishment of the clock's parts which are now, unfortunately, obsolete. "There has been a delay in the

delivery of the new parts from the clockmaker's suppliers, but Smith of Derby have confirmed all works will

be completed by Tuesday, May 31. This will ensure that the clock remains in reliable working order for many years to come and will be operational in good time for the borough's Jubilee celebrations.'



**Ormskirk Clock Tower** 





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### School hits the target for sports wall

LORDSGATE Township Primary School has purchased an outdoor multi-use sports wall which includes a basketball net, football goal and an area

for target practice.

The school began fundraising for the wall last year, and received a donation from Redrow who are building nearby at The Grange.
"Thanks to the generosity of Redrow Lancashire

and with fundraising through our school com-

munity we've reached our target and have had the equipment installed in the playground," said Denise Fardella, chair of the Parents, Teachers and Friends Association at Lordsgate School. Sian Pitt, for Redrow Lancashire, added: "It's

great to hear that the sports wall has been so gratefully received by the pupils at Lordsgate School. We hope this new wall is enjoyed by local children for many years to come.'



Students and headteacher Chris Hackett and Redrow's Chelby McKay with the new sports wall

## **Youngsters to run 10K to raise** money for hospital 'cold cot'



Oscar (left) with friend, Jimmy

Mum, Natalie, suffered stillbirth trauma - now Oscar, 12, and best pal, Jimmy, want to help other parents who face same heartache

A 12-YEAR-OLD whose mum had a stillbirth and a miscarriage in 2019 is running 10K to raise money for a cold cot which allows parents more time with their deceased baby.

Oscar Rigby, 12, and his best friend Jimmy, who both go to St Bede's Catholic High School in Ormskirk will be planning to hold the fun-draiser at Chaffers running track in

Oscar's mum, Natalie, 40, explained she had a stillbirth at the beginning of 2019 and lost Jensen and in the same year, she had a late miscarriage losing Theo.

Natalie said: "When I gave birth to Jensen at home, I haemorrhaged and

had to go by blue light to Ormskirk Hospital, and was then rushed to theatre. While I was in theatre, a lovely bereavement midwife called Joanne asked Andrew if he would like a cold cot for baby Jensen to go by **Henry James** 

in. A cold cot is basically a cot that has a built-in refrigerator to keep the cot really cold so parents can spend more time with their baby.

"Ormskirk Rainbow team also allowed us to take a small portable cold cot home, until Jensen's funeral.

"We also used the cold cot when we lost Theo, who was a late miscar-

riage.

"Not long after Theo died, Oscar wanted to do something to help and came up with the idea of the sponsored run. They are already over

"Oscar, being the best big brother, would like to raise as much money as he can to be able to give back to the hospital. So, he and his lovely friend Jimmy are running 10k to raise awareness and to fund-raise as much money as they can. Oscar and Jimmy are so excited to be able to do this - to thank Ormskirk for all they did for our two angels, me and our little family."
A cold cot is £8,000 and the boys

are hoping to raise £3,000.

Natalie added: "We are wanting to raise as much money as possible but also raise awareness of stillbirths and miscarriages.

"I'm incredibly proud of Oscar. I don't know how to put it into words. Ormskirk Hospital have been incredible, and we can't thank them enough. Please donate anything you can it would make such a difference to other parents who unfortunately have to go through the heartache we

The boys will be holding their fundraiser on Saturday, July 2.

For more informa https://bit.ly/ 3wLvvDk

#### Residents invited to CCG Governing Body meeting

RESIDENTS in West Lancashire are being invited to see local NHS decision-making in action, although once again in a virtual setting.

NHS West Lancashire Clinical Commissioning

Group's next Governing Body meeting will take place on Tuesday, June 14 from 10am to 11am.

Members of the public wishing to observe the

meeting or raise questions relating to items on the agenda can do so by emailing wlccg.info@nhs.net by noon on Monday, June 13.

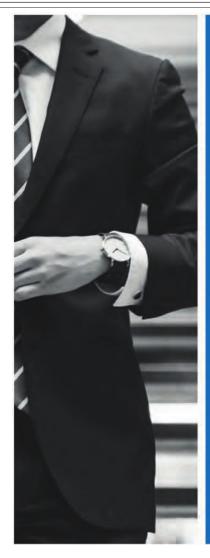
The agenda for the meeting will be published on the CCG's website at www.westlancashireccg.nhs.uk/one week before it takes place

Following the conclusion of the Governing Body meeting, there may also be an opportunity for members of the public and other attendees to have an informal discussion with some of the

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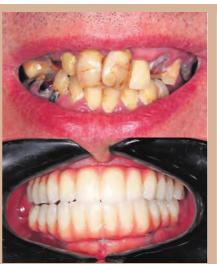
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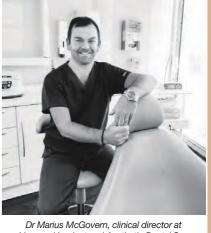
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### Skem Fest returns this weekend!

SKEM Fest Music Festival is returning and will be staged at the weekend with free entry

This year's event will be held over two days at The Buffs in Ormskirk Road, Skelmersdale on Saturday and Sunday, May 28 and 29.

Running from noon on both days, organisers have lined up bands to perform with money raised donated to Learning Stars. Learning Stars are a Community group consisting of people with learning disab-ilities and their support

Among the bands set to appear are: Hyena, Big Bambora, and The Unspecials.

Other attractions include character visits; a glitter bar; bouncy castle; fairground rides; and a burger van.

There will also be the chance

to watch the Champions League Final, which will be shown on all screens inside

and a massive screen outside.

The event is being run by Aaron Martin and Steven Sax. Aaron, said: "This will be the first Skem Fest since before the pandemic. It will be good to be

able to get the community back together again. "There will be family fun with fairground rides, 22 live acts over the two days and the chance to watch the Champions League Final.'

## Paving in new town centre has to be relaid

TACTILE paving used in parts of the soon to open Skelmersdale Town Centre does comply with Department Transport standards and will need to be

Tactile paving is a system of textured ground surface indicators to assist pedestrians who are vision impaired.

MP Rosie Cooper had raised the matter with both LCC and the borough council after being contacted by a concerned resident.

Lancashire County Council who are responsible for roads, informed the MP that they are in discussion with the developer and are working with them to ensure that the correct specification is introduced throughout

Ms Cooper MP said: "Thankfully my constituents were paying attention, or Lancashire County Council, West Lancashire

Borough Council or Town Centre developer St Modwen may not have noticed.

"It is very worrying that St Modwen haven't adhered to the required specification. The residents of Skelmersdale deserve better attention to detail than this haphazard approach."

A spokesman for Lancashire County Council responded: "We are working with St Modwen to ensure that the design and construction of the new development in Skelmersdale will be suitable to be main-tained by the county council, and are in discussion with them about the tactile pav-

• ANTI-THEFT trolleys to be rolled out at new Lidl store - see story on p11

### Borough has new Mayor

FOLLOWING the Council's Annual meeting, Councillor Mrs Marilyn Westley has been appointed as Mayor of West Lancashire.

Mayor Westley, who is the Conservative elected member for Aughton Park Ward, will represent the Borough at civic events while raising money for her chosen charities.

**Mayor Westley** said: "I am honoured to take up this position representing our fantastic borough, promoting the



**CIIr Marilyn Westley** is the new Mayor of **West Lancashire** 

many great reasons to live, work and visit West Lancs.

"I'm greatly looking forward to meeting more of our incredible residents and helping to celebrate the outstanding work they do for the greater good of the Borough as well as supporting charities that are close to my heart."

The newly appointed Deputy Mayor of West Lancashire is Our West Lancashire **Councillor Kate** Mitchell.

The Mayor's chosen charities will be announced in due

#### Normans at Coronation Park

VISITORS to Coronation Park were able to step back in time and enjoy the Örmskirk Medieval Festival.

The free event took place on Saturday, May 14 and Sunday, May 15 and was organised by the borough council and the 12th Century re-enactment group Historia Normannis.

The aim of the event was to show people what it was like to live in Norman England.

(shown Combat displays (shown right) were staged on both days



by members of Historia Normannis groups. People were also able to have a go at archery

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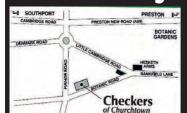


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#### Say cheese! Villagers come together for photo to mark Jubilee

RESIDENTS from the villages of Rufford and Holmeswood came together for an official photo for the first time in 22 years.

The event, which was held to mark the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, was held on Sunday, May 15 at 2pm at Rufford Village Hall. A display of pictures featuring Rufford through the years could

also be viewed at the event.

A spokesperson for the organisers said: "Villagers came together for the photograph. It gave people the opportunity to catch up with old friends. There were many new faces as well.

"People enjoyed looking through the photos of Rufford and reminiscing on old faces and

buildings," At 11am on the same day, runners of all ages and abilities were invited to take part in the Rufford 5k, which started from the village hall.

Prior to the event, a tractor and farm vehicle parade took place from Holmeswood to Rufford village hall at midday, much to the delight of the children and families!

## Anti-theft trolleys to be rolled out at Lidl store

Report by **Henry James** 

ANTI-THEFT trolleys will be rolled out to Lidl's new supermarket store in Skelmersdale.

West Lancashire MP Rosie Cooper recently wrote to both Lidl and B&M to urge them to use specialised anti-theft trolleys in their new stores in Skelmersdale's new town centre.

These anti-theft trolleys have sensors which allow clamps to come down on the wheels if they are taken from a certain area.

The MP argued that these were essential in

Skelmersdale where trolleys from other supermarkets in the town are often left in parks or even thrown in the River Tawd.

By having anti-theft trolleys, it also saves the

supermarket the cost of replacing them if they are

Responding to the MP's letter, a spokesperson for Lidl confirmed that they will have modern anti-theft trolleys in their Skelmersdale store.

The MP said: "This is great news and will undoubtedly be welcomed by Skelmersdale residuated to the said of saids to the said of saids and saids."

ents that are sick of seeing trolleys thrown in the River Tawd or dumped far from the shops.

"I am really grateful to Lidl for showing that they care about our community enough to invest in these anti-theft trolleys.

"The opening of the new stors will be a great day for Skelmersdale, now with the added bonus that it won't lead to more rubbish left in our green spaces. I await a response from B&M, who I hope will be following their lead!"

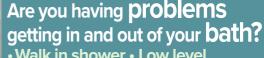
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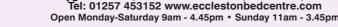
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### Nothing wrong with being ambitious but then greed takes over

I would like to endorse everything that Dario and Jack have written about greed being the root of all our problems.

There is nothing wrong with being ambitious and wanting to achieve more from oneself but when it gets to acquiring lots of money, some-how greed and wanting more seems to take over.

Why do you need more cars or yachts or homes when it is apparent you live in a society where there are people needing food banks to survive and where babies are born into poverty?

I read a lovely article recently about a lady who

had won £60million on the lottery and she has spent a good part of that money on building up charitable foundations and giving to needy

This has made her feel happier within herself

which giving always does.

I know there are more like her and I applaud and admire so much this caring, sharing attitude.

This is what we should be promoting as a society and it needs to be showing theses kinds of actions from the top and from Government, not employing people to avoid paying taxes and avoid paying out to help those poorer who've not had the same starting advantages as those at the struggling end of society.

Judy Ingman, Aughton

### Rail service to Southport and Manchester is a shambles

The Northern Rail service between Southport, Wigan and Manchester is a shambles with numerous delays, break-

downs and cancellations etc.
On Saturday, April 30 the 19.55, 20.55 and 22.05 from Wigan to Southport were all cancelled owing to a shortage of train crew and many passengers were stranded and inconvenienced trying to book taxis

on a busy Saturday evening in Wigan. On Bank Holiday Monday, May 2 the 20.55 from Wigan was again cancelled, along with the 22.30, and I was informed the last train to both Southport and Manchester would be a replacement coach.

On Thursday, May 12, I arrived at Meols Cop station at 7.15am to hopefully catch the 7.21 on my way to Leeds for the Yorkshire v Lancashire cricket match at Headingley for the 11am start.

The 7.21 service was cancelled owing to a broken down train and the next train at 7.35 was also cancelled owing to a lack of train crew. The next train at 8.21 was delayed until 8.29

owing to the late arrival of the incoming train and made extra stops owing to the previous cancellations

I spent and hour on a cold and windy Meols Cop station and finally arrived at Leeds station at 11.42 instead of 10.04 and reached the



ground at 12.15.

Using the railways these days is a nightmare if you do not have mobile access to the internet because there are no timetables available on stations and it is virtually impossible to keep up to date with so many late running and cancelled services while on the move.

I have totally lost confidence in using the Southport to Manchester service and would sug-gest they concrete over the existing tracks and use express coaches which would be far more reliable.

Jeff Carter, Southport,

#### Long wait after closure of hospital's maxillofacial and orthodontic unit

After receiving a letter on the closure of the Maxilliofacial and Orthodontic department of Southport and Ormskirk hospitals on February 8 this year, I am still yet to hear where, when and with whom the treatment I was receiving is to continue, if at all.

This, despite the letter specifying I would be

informed 'within weeks' and no later than April, according to 'chief operating officer' Lesley

Should her department not be acting responsibly by prioritising reducing NHS waiting lists? Perhaps the extraction of these admin posi-

tions would enable the financing of recruitment for medically qualified staff and so reduce wait-

I had been receiving excellent care through the pandemic from the Consultant Orthodontist

Concerned.

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We're making this call to kick off Type 2 Diabetes Prevention Week (May 23-29), an NHS England initiative supported by Diabetes UK.
You can find information about the Challenge, at

diabetes.org.uk

Clare Howarth. Diabetes UK

### Dog licenses could save a child's life

Is it worth the life of an other child just to avoid the introduction of the old fashioned dog licences

Something must be done other than just ban certain breeds.

I know this wouldn't stop all dog attacks

because any dog can turn savage.
But there must be something done.
I'm sure other people could come up with sug-

Brian Holland.

### 'Mallard' was actually a **Muscovy Duck**

I read with interest the piece on the letters page 'What has happened to all the Mallards?' dated in the May 18 edition.

Whilst I agree there appears to be a decline in the amounts of mallards this year, the picture attached was not a mallard but a Muscovy Duck.

By email.

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## CROSSWORD

- 22. A person who uses a typewriter (6)
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  1. Idle chatter (6)
  2. The capital of Washington state, USA (7)
  3. Another name for Father Christmas (5,8)
  5. 1985 hit for Diana Ross (5,8)
  6. Manchester band that featured the Gallagher brothers (5)
  7. Deadly (6)
  8. Thread for cleaning between teeth (6,5)
  14. See, watch, notice (7)
  15. A climb to a mountain summit (6)
  16. A wax stick with a wick used to produce light (6)
  18. 45th US President (5)

# ACROSS A game bird (6) A place for educating children (6) The outline of buildings seen against the sky (7) A thing of value (5) Feed in; key in (5) A country in North Africa bordering Libya (7) Author of Robinson Crusoe (6,5) A bag with a strap, traditionally used for carrying books (7) Blanca, a resort region of Spain (5) The same (5) How James Bond does not have his martinis (7) A person who uses a

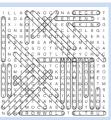
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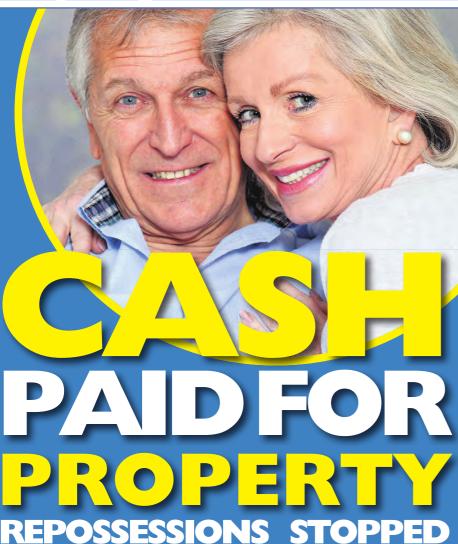




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## Skem United forward Howard gets fan's 'Player of Year' award

AFTER a successful 2021-22 season Skelmersdale United held their presentation evening on Saturday at the JMO Sports Bar, writes Kev Panther.

With Covid cancelling the last two seasons, it was a night the fans had been waiting for and they turned up in numbers.

The club finished in second spot in the North West Counties League and won the inter-step play off match at Cinderford to win promotion.

They will now play in the Northern Premier League against teams including Workington, Runcorn, Leek and Prescot Cables

Mikey Howard was the main star of the evening picking up the coveted, 'Supporters' Player of the Year' award, gaining a standing ovation at the announcement.

He scored 33 goals in the season, the highest in the North West Counties Premier League and won the Golden Boot award.

Howard, who will be moving to Warrington Town, was also honoured by his fellow team mates as he picked up the 'Players Player of the Year' award to complete a memorable evening for the young striker.

There was also an award for veteran striker Danny Mitchley, who picked up the manager's 'Player of the Year.'

During the season Mitchley notched up his 50th goal for the club in a career that has spanned 112 games starting back in 2014.

Manager Paul McNally who has transformed the club's fortunes over the past few years was given a special award to honour his achievements not just of this season but those of last season where he guided the club to the first round of the FA Cup for the first time in 50 years

United's media unit also took an award on the evening, presented to Kate Finch, who despite only joining the team in September has turned round the club's media activities no end, making it one of the best media outlets in the North West.



Mikey Howard

There was also a Supporter of the Year award that went to Michael Sweeney and his partner Ruth, who despite being of a pensionable age have both managed to attend every United game this season.

## Ormskirk forced to settle for draw with Birkenhead Park

ORMSKIRK had to settle for a draw with Birkenhead Park on Saturday with their opponents eight wickets down.

Harvey Rankin top scored with 83 while John Armstrong scored 59 as Ormskirk racked up a total of 216-5 declared after 55 overs.

Skipper Thomas Foster top scored with 58 in Birkenhead Park's reply, while Steve Hird scored 50 and Ahmad Safi Abdullah 45.

Tom Hartley claimed three wickets for 33 runs but Ormskirk failed to finish off the Birkenhead Park innings which ended on 188-8 after 54 overs

Chris Laker top scored with 81 as Northern beat Formby by 29 runs on Saturday

81 as Northern beat Formby by 29 runs on Saturday. Liam Grey (40)) and Jac Kennedy (54) provided a platform for the innings with an opening partnership of 74 before Laker's knock which included six sixes.

Andrew Clarke (32) and Greg Liebenberg (33) also contributed as Northern amassed a total of 261-5 declared off 52 overs.

Formby were 131-2 in reply at one stage with Ollie Sutton top scoring with 74. Daniel Wilson then cut

Daniel Wilson then cut through the middle order claiming five wickets for 79.

Formby were eventually dismissed for 232 in 58.5 overs. Northern made it a double

Northern made it a double victory weekend by beating Blackpool on Sunday by 95 runs in the National Knockout

Elsewhere in the Liverpool Competition Premier Division Chris Firth claimed an incredible nine wickets for 38 runs as Southport & Birkdale beat New Brighton by 34 runs.

Orrell Red Triangle beat Newton-le-Willows by four wickets, Rainhill drew with Leigh, and Wigan beat Wallasey by one wicket.

sey by one wicket.
In a thrilling Division One match Bootle drew with Highfield.

Jhangir Liaqat claimed five wickets for 63 runs as Hightown were dimissed for 207 in 54.3 overs.

Both Bootle openers were dismissed without scoring but skipper Daniel Davies rescued the innings with 89 and Tom Meskell scored 30 to keep up the momentum. Danny Hart scored an unbeaten 27 while Joe Nagle was run out for 28 as Bootle had to settle for a draw finishing on 205-7 off 49 overs.

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## Hatinum Tupilee

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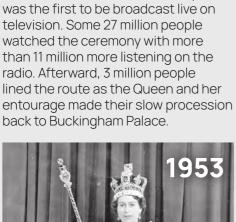


1926 Born in 1926, Elizabeth was the daughter of King George V's second son, and had little expectation of succeeding to the throne until her uncle, King Edward VIII, abdicated in 1936 to marry the divorced American socialite Wallis Simpson. After the death of her father, King George VI, Elizabeth was called upon to assume the throne, beginning a momentous reign. On February 6, 2022, celebrations began for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee—marking her 70 years of service to the British Commonwealth.

#### Queen Elizabeth II's Coronation

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On 7th June, Elizabeth and Philip rode in the Gold State Coach from Buckingham Palace to St. Paul's Cathedral to officially celebrate her



500 million people watched on television as the procession returned down the Mall. Back at Buckingham Palace. The Queen made several balcony appearances. Street parties and village parties started up all over the country: in London alone 4,000 were reported to have been held. Wearing a bright pink outfit, including a hat decked out with 25 fabric bells, the queen repeated her long-ago pledge to devote her life to service, saying that "Although that vow was made in my salad days when I was green in judgement, I do not regret nor retract one word of it."

#### Prince Charles' Wedding to Lady Diana 1981

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On 29th July, 1981, an estimated 750 million people in 74 countries around the world tuned in to watch Prince Charles marry Lady Diana Spencer, at St. Paul's Cathedral. The romance between the heir to the British throne and the young "Shy Di" had attracted massive media attention, and their lavish nuptials were considered the "wedding of the century."

### Prince William is Born 1982

Although William is the Queen's third grandchild, the line of succession means that he is second in line to the throne after his Father.

#### Golden Wedding

1997

The Queen and Prince Phillip celebrated their Golden Wedding

anniversary with a special garden party at Buckingham Palace for couples also celebrating their Golden Wedding. >



## Silver Jubilee

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#### **Family Deaths**

2002

The Queen's youngest sister Margaret, died from complications of a stroke on 9th February. The Queen Mother also passed just over a month later on 30th March, aged 101.

#### Golden Jubilee

2002

The Queen's celebration of her 50th year on the throne was marred by a double loss, when her younger sister, Princess Margaret, and their Mother died within weeks of each other. As the first British monarch since Queen Victoria to celebrate a Golden Jubilee, Elizabeth travelled more than 40,000 miles that year, including visits to the Caribbean, Australia, New Zealand and Canada. She also visited 70 cities and towns in 50 counties in the United Kingdom.

#### Birth of Prince George 2013

In July 2013, the queen welcomed a new great-grandson, Prince George Alexander Louis of Cambridge, the first child of Prince William and the former Kate Middleton, who married in



2011. As third in the line of succession after his grandfather and his father, George is widely expected to become king one day. His birth marked the first time since Victoria's reign that three generations of direct heirs to the British throne were alive at the same



#### Prince Harry & Meghan 2018 Markle's Wedding

Perhaps no other event during Elizabeth's reign symbolised the modernising monarchy more than the wedding of Prince Harry to Meghan Markle. Though the Queen reportedly gave her quick approval to the match, the relationship between the couple and the British media—as well as the rest of the royal familygrew increasingly tense after their marriage. In 2020, the Duke and Duchess of Sussex announced they were stepping back from their role as senior royals, moving to Markle's native Southern California with their son, Archie, born in 2019.

### Prince Philip's death 2021

On 9th April 9 2021, Prince Philip, Elizabeth's husband of 73 years, died at the age of 99. The British monarchy's longest-running love story began just before World War II, when 18-year-old Prince Philip of Greece met his third cousin, Princess Elizabeth, during her family's visit to the Britannia Royal Naval College at Dartmouth, where Philip was studying. On November 14, 1947, the

couple were married in Westminster Abbey, and King George VI named Philip as Duke of Edinburgh shortly after that. For more than a halfcentury, Prince Philip supported his wife in her royal duties and took on a slate of obligations of his own. Philip's funeral was held on 17th April. Photos of the gueen sitting alone in St. George's Chapel struck many as a symbol of her loneliness and grief.









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### Queenscourt Lottery's new campaign to celebrate The Queen's Jubilee

This year, Her Majesty The Queen will become the first British Monarch to celebrate a Platinum Jubilee after 70 years of service. 'Fly the Flag for Queenscourt' will encourage supporters to enter the hospice's weekly lottery draw and highlight how the initiative helps to #KeepQueenscourtinService.

Did you know that by joining Queenscourt Lottery you are helping to provide a regular source of income so that #teamqueenscourt can continue to provide exceptional palliative care for local people, when they need it the most.

On the 11th of June 2022, Queenscourt will celebrate the 30th Anniversary of Princess Diana officially opening the hospice. Myra Myers is one of Queenscourt's longest serving Volunteers who had the privilege of meeting Diana, Princess of Wales, when she officially opened the Hospice in 1992.

"Princess Diana was lovely and came over to speak with us, the atmosphere on that day was absolutely marvellous!" said Myra. "I'm very fond of Queenscourt. I never thought any of my family would use it, but my husband Jeff passed away nine-years-ago and two years before that he went in to Queenscourt for Day Therapy once a week which made a huge difference to him and to me. Queenscourt Lottery is a fantastic way to donate to Queenscourt each week so that they can keep providing compassionate care to local people and their families - and you never know when you might win!"

As a small local charity with a big reach, Queenscourt receives less than a fifth of their running costs from the NHS and the rest of the money comes from charitable donations.

By joining Queenscourt Lottery you can win up to £1,500 each and every week - and, better still, you'll be making a real difference for local people across West Lancashire, Southport and Formby each time you play.

Queenscourt Lottery tickets cost £1 each and you can pre-pay for as many weeks as you like. You can also double or triple your chances of scooping the jackpot by paying £2 each week to play with two numbers or £3 each week to play with three numbers instead of one

You can sign up online by going to www.queenscourt.org.uk/lottery or call the Queenscourt Hospice Lottery office on: 01704 544645.

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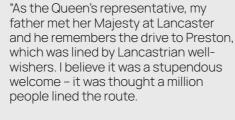
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## Queen 'has a very special relationship with Lancashire'

CHIEFS at Lancashire County Council have paid tribute to Her Majesty The Queen, who celebrated 70 years on the throne earlier this month.

Celebrations will be taking place throughout this year, with a focal point on the extended bank holiday, from Thursday 2 to Sunday, June 5. Communities are being encouraged to come together and celebrate the historic milestone with street parties and bonfire beacons throughout the UK.

County Councillor Cosima Towneley (pictured below), the council's cabinet member for children and families, remembers the Silver Jubilee in 1977 as a child aged nine. She said: "It was terribly exciting as my father had recently been made Lord Lieutenant of Lancashire and there was a lot of activity as fund raising committees sprang into life with all sorts of events planned and, of course, a Royal visit.



"I wonder if there is anyone out there who remembers taking part? It would be wonderful to make contact and put together a memory of the event."

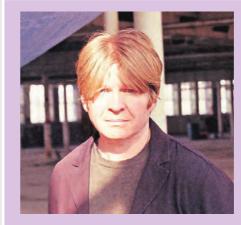
She added: "The Queen has a very special relationship with Lancashire, one of her titles being Duke of Lancaster.

"I hope we will do her Platinum Jubilee year proud and duly honour the 70 years of duty and dedication Her Majesty has unstintingly given to the nation. I hope she enjoys her Platinum as much as she enjoyed her Silver Jubilee."

County Councillor Barrie Yates, chairman of Lancashire County Council

added: "Her Majesty The Queen has dedicated her entire life to service.

"To spend 70 of those years as the monarch is truly remarkable and is a feat that I expect will never be repeated. The Queen is an inspiration to millions across the globe, and it is only right that we celebrate her momentous achievements this summer to show our appreciation."



JAMIE Holman, an artist born and practising in Lancashire, is creating artwork to mark the Queen's Platinum Jubilee marking 70 years of service to her people and the Commonwealth.

This is the first time in British history that a monarch has marked a platinum jubilee, which presented a unique opportunity for an artist to create a work that will encapsulate the moment.

Jamie has recognised the significant change that has occurred throughout the Queen's reign but that the constant throughout this period has been the service of the monarch, a monarch who has sat with every Prime Minister from Churchill to Johnson and has devoted her life to the nation.

Jamie is recording 70 people, all of whom are aged 70 and have been alive as long as the Queen has been on the throne. By recording their memories of both the large, and small memories of their lives, he will aim to produce a beautiful, poetic multi-channel soundscape installation that tells the story of the Queen's reign, the diverse



Lancastrian communities and the extraordinary individuals who best remember her lifetime of service. He will thread their stories, as told by them, with archival footage to create a narrative that will accompany seven large tapestries, each depicting 10 years of the monarch's service to her people.

These works will form a contemporary visualisation of these collated interviews, as he 'weaves people's stories' with a nod towards global traditions of commemorating our past in textile from the Bayeux Tapestry to The Devonshire Hunting Tapestries.

Jamie Holman commented: "I want to make this a capsule of more than our monarch's 70 years - but for 70 years of her people."

The footage and the narrative will be available internationally and will accompany the tapestries that will be hung in a place yet to be decided in Lancashire for all to enjoy. The artworks will be sponsored by public donation and sponsorship. Major sponsors will be highlighted alongside the artwork.









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### Plant a Tree for the Jubilee!

ST Joseph's Hospice in Thornton planted three new oak trees in its woodland garden as part of the Queen's Green Canopy project.

The initiative, which is taking place across the country to commemorate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee in 2022, invites people from across the United Kingdom to 'Plant a Tree for the Jubilee.

His Honour John Roberts, a Deputy Lieutenant of Merseyside, joined hospice chief executive, Mike Parr, inpatient unit manager, Marian Banks, and ward sister, Debbie Fletcher, to plant the trees in front of the hospice's St Francis House unit.

John Roberts said "I was delighted to visit St Joseph's Hospice in order to thank Mike Parr, and the other members of staff, for supporting the Queen's Green Canopy Project. I feel sure that the three trees that have been planted will add to the atmosphere of calm within the hospice's beautiful grounds.

Mike Parr added: "We are proud to take part in the Queen's Green Canopy project and we are very grateful to His Honour John Roberts for joining us for this unique tree planting initiative during Her Majesty's platinum jubilee year.

"Our woodland gardens, and the nature that lives within it, are such an important part of the care we provide here at the hospice. The peace, tranquillity and comfort they offer to patients and their families, helps them emotionally and spiritually. Our three new oak trees have a special gold plaque to mark their special significance and have been planted very prominently so that everyone who visits the hospice can enjoy watching them grow.'





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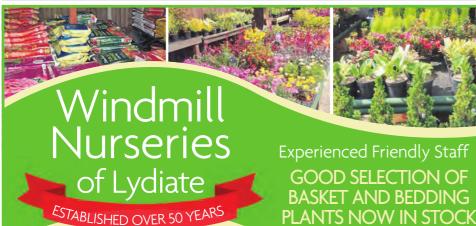


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Volunteers Week is supported and celebrated by small grassroots organisations as well as larger, household-name charities, who together run hundreds of activities across the UK. These activities showcase and celebrate volunteers and the vital contribution they make in our communities.

Volunteers have played a key role in the response to the pandemic. During an exceptionally difficult couple of years, people from all walks of life around the UK have taken the time to volunteer and make a huge difference to their communities – as they do every year.

This year sees the 38th annual Volunteers' Week, and



it takes place during the Month of Community. Running throughout June, the Month of Community is a time when we come together to celebrate everything that makes our communities great. Last year, over 15 million people took part in the first ever Month of Community, so don't miss out, join in this June - whether you want to say cheers to volunteers, connect with your neighbours, support a cause you care about, or simply to say thank you, it's all part of the Month of Community!

#### Why is Volunteering Important?

As well as helping others, volunteering has been shown to improve volunteers' wellbeing too. It's human nature to feel good after helping someone out. Volunteering can also help you gain valuable new skills and experiences as well as boost your confidence.

- 16.3m people volunteered through a group, club or organisation in 2020/21
- Most people have formally volunteered at some point in their lives, dipping in and out of involvement over time
- Volunteering patterns changed substantially during the pandemic.
- Almost one in five (17%) people reported volunteering at least once a month, about 9.2m people.
- Less visible is informal volunteering, which includes a wider range of activities including unpaid help for someone who is not a relative. In 2020/21, 54% of the population (29.4m) volunteered informally at least once a year and 33% (17.9m) did so at least once a month.

#### **Royal Voluntary Service**

Royal Voluntary Service volunteers have supported the NHS throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, at a time when every resource was precious and they have continued to provide that help whilst the nation recovers. They have helped more people begin their volunteering journey during the pandemic than any



other organisation. Hundreds of thousands of new volunteers, all making a difference during our nation's hour of need.

New ways of volunteering have emerged since the pandemic took hold. Volunteering is changing and with Royal Voluntary Service you can choose the role and style of volunteering that fits in with your life and lifestyle. For instance, nowadays you can volunteer through an app on your phone and pick up tasks when you want to, giving you total flexibility. Volunteers work in a wide variety of roles; from offering companionship to people who are socially isolated, to providing practical help to those recovering from illness, to working on hospital wards or helping at a vaccination site. Whatever role you choose to play, you will be supporting others while enjoying a rewarding experience for yourself.

In honour of Royal Voluntary Service Patron, Her Majesty The Queen and the example she has set in her record-breaking 70 years of service, the charity has launched the Platinum Champions Awards for volunteers. Together with the charity's President, HRH The Duchess of Cornwall, and in partnership with The Big Jubilee Lunch, the awards will celebrate outstanding volunteers across the country who are making a difference every day.





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**BAYLEY** 

DOROTHY IRENE

'DOT'

8th May 2022

Aged 87 years

Passed away

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by her family.

Beloved wife of the

late Bill.

Much loved mum to

Joanne and mother-

in-law to Anthony.

Cherished sister and

aunt.

Dot will be sadly

missed by all her

family and friends and

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Special thanks to Melanie and her team at H Hardman & Co., Funeral directors for their dignified funeral arrangements.

#### WESTMORELAND BARRIE

The family of the late Barrie Westmoreland wish to express their sincere thanks to all relatives, friends and neighbours for the kindness and sympathy shown to them during their recent bereavement.

Also for the cards. letters of condolences, flowers and the generous donations to RFTT LIK

Special thanks to the paramedics and staff at Southport Hospital A&E.

Thanks to Paul Griffiths for a comforting service and Cookson Tyrer Funeralcare for their help and support

To place a family announcement please call

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#### LYNCH **GLENIS**

Passed away peacefully on 17th May 2022 Aged 77yrs years

Beloved Wife of John. Loving Mother to Caroline, Lorraine and the late Stephanie. Devoted Grandma and Great Grandma.

A Funeral Service will be held at West Lancashire Crematorium, Burscough on Wednesday 8th June 2022 at 11am.

Family flowers only please but donations if so desired to Dementia UK ,c/o the funeral director

Enquiries to Neal Buckley Funeral Home. 49 Church Road, Tarleton. PR4 6UQ.

Tel:01772 301700

#### WESTBY WILLIAM ALAN

Aged 74 years 16th May 2022 Died suddenly in hospital

Reloved Husband of Marilyn, loving Dad of Gerrard. Howard, Nathan and Francesca, dearly loved Father-in-Law, Brother, Brother-in-Law and Uncle. Alan will be sadly missed by all who knew him.

Glad that you are now at peace Dad. Love you Francesca x

The funeral service will take place at West Lancashire Crematorium on Wednesday 8th June 2022 at 2pm. Family flowers only please. Donations will be gratefully received for the Alzheimers Society whose help and advice has been exceptional in recent hard times.

All enquiries to Melanie Hardman at H Hardman & Co. Independent Family Funeral Directors.

Tel 01695 722122 / 720012

#### **BAMBER PETER WILLIAM**

Passed away peacefully on Tuesday 17th May 2022 at the age of 90

The funeral service will be held at St. Mary the Virgin Church, Rufford, on Wednesday 1st June 2022 at 3:00pm.

Family flowers only. Donations will be gratefully received for both St. Mary the Virgin Church, Rufford and the Christie Hospital, Manchester for cancer research.

**Further enquiries** and donations to David Wilkinson Independent **Funeral Directors**, 291 Hesketh Lane, Tarleton, PR4 6RJ. Tel: 01772 811165. DEATHS

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## (KENWORTHY)

formerly of Ennerdale Rd,

11th May 2022 Aged 64.

Funeral to take place



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## JILL

Sadly passed away at Southport Hospital on

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Blindfoot Rd, Rainford on Tuesday 7th June

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#### **DAVIES DOREEN MAY**

Died 15th May 2022 Aged 91 Years

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Beautiful Wife to Mike. Loving Sister to Joyce. Wonderful Mother in law to Maureen. Caring Nan to David, Philip and Keeley and proud Great-grandmother to all her greatgrandchildren. She will be greatly missed by all who knew her.

Celebration of life to take place at St James' Church, Birkdale on Tuesday 31st May 2022 at 1pm followed by Interment at Liverpool Road Cemetery. Family flowers only please but donations if desired to Dementia UK.

All enquiries to David at Massam and Marshall **Independent Funeral Directors**, 137-139 Manchester Road, Southport, PR9 9BD. Tel: 01704 549222

#### **ALMOND** BRIAN

of Southmort formerly of Scarishrick

9th May 2022 **Peacefully in hospital** aged 83 years.

The dearly loved husband of Lynne, loving dad of Gary, Bev and Anne and devoted grandad of Paul, Gary, James, Danny, Sian, Lee and Ryan.

Family flowers only please, donations if desired for Queenscourt Hospice

All enquiries to Melanie Hardman at H Hardman & Co.. Independent Family Funeral Directors

Tel: 01695 722122/720012

#### LUKE ALAN **PAXTON**

18/05/2022

Peacefully. aged 86 years.

Alan will be sadly missed by all his family and friends.

Funeral service and committal to take place at Southport Crematorium on Tuesday 7th June 2022 at 1pm.

Further enquiries please to Brookfields Funeralcare, 73-75 Shakespeare Street, Southport, PR8 5AJ.

Tel: 01704 532106

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#### **CLARKE** JOHN FRANK

12th May 2022

Aged 84 years

Devoted husband of the late Sheila. Loving dad to Tony and Suzanne, fatherin-law to Mark. Special grandad to Natalie, Christopher, Shaun, Louis and the late Emily. Great-grandad to Ava. Much loved brother of Eddie.

John will be greatly missed by all his family and friends.

Service at Southport Crematorium on Tuesday 31st May at 10:00am.

The family are receiving donations for Labrador Rescue (North West Area).

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#### **GREEN** RITA

(Nee George)

#### 7th May 2022 **Aged 91 Years**

It is with great sadness to announce that Rita passed away peacefully at Halcyon House Formby.

We wish to extend thanks for the wonderful care given by the nurses and carers at Halcyon House Formby.

Rita was a devoted mother, granny and friend, an excellent cook and keen gardener and will be sorely missed by all who knew her

The funeral service will be held at Southport Crematorium at 11:00am on Monday 30th May

In place of flowers, please make any charitable donations to Age Concern

Enquiries to Howard's Funeral Directors. 1-5 Roe Lane, Southport, PR9 9DR.

Tel 01704 500086.

**FARLEY** 

**JOSEPH** 

(JOE)

Born in January 1930

Passed away peacefully

on the 8th May 2022.

Devoted and beloved

husband of the late

Rosemary

"Marie" Farley,

Father of Rosemary,

Father-in-Law of Neil

and Grandfather to

.lames

His memorial service

will be held at St.

Anne's Church.

Aughton on the 31st

May at 12 noon.

Family flowers only

please, but donations

in his honour to

either the British

Lung Foundation

or the British Heart

Foundation.

Refer to Lisa Hunter

at MLS Funeral

Directors.

01695 424888,

for details

#### **HANLEY** KAY

Passed away at home on Wednesday 11th May 2022. aged 63 years.

A much loved friend to many. She will be so loved and missed by all her family and friends.

Reunited with her Mum. Jean Abram.

Everyone to wear bright colours please.

Funeral service at West Lancashire Crematorium on Friday 27th May 2022 at 10:00am.

Flowers or donations are welcome. donations can be sent directly to Owl and Bird of Pray Sanctuary, Chain House Lane, Preston, PR4 4LB Tel - 01772 323323

For furthur enquires please contact . Anabel Hunter, MLS Independent Funeral Directors. 20 Moss Delph Lane Aughton, L39 5DZ.

Tel 01695 424888

DOBSON

RALPH

on 19th May 2022

**Peacefully at Stocks Hall** 

**Nursing Home, Ormskirk** 

Aged 95 years

Loving Husband of

the late Kath.

Devoted Dad of Janet,

Paul, Ian and David.

dear Father-in-Law

of Maura and Diane.

cherished Grandad

and Great Grandad of

all his Grandchildren.

Will be sadly missed

#### **MCLEAN ISARFII** A **PAULINE** (BELLA)

on 11th May 2022

#### Died peacefully in . hosnital

Beloved wife of Terry Loving mum of Karen and Gill Dear mum-in-law of Brian and Paul Much loved nan of Alex. Jonathan. Lawrence and Annabelle

Funeral service to take place at Heart Stone Church, Ainsdale on Tuesday 31st May at 10am followed by the interment at Sacred Heart Cemetery at 11am.

Family flowers only by request, Donations if so desired can be made to Southport Cancer information and support centre

Donations and further enquires please to M.Rushton Funeral Directors, 100 Marshside Road Southport, PR9 9TG.

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DEATHS

#### WERNER **JURGEN HAPKE**

Passed away neacefully on the 16th May 2022 at home aged 77 years.

to Kim, Tracey and Bev, and great grandchildren.

Werner will be sadly missed by all of his family and friends.

Funeral service to take place at Southport Crematorium on the 31st May 2022 at 1pm.

Family flowers only, so desired, will be gratefully received Foundation

All enquiries C/O Brookfields Co-op Funeralcare, 73-75 Shakespeare Street Southport, PR8 5AJ.

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A dearly loved father treasured grandfather to all his grandchildren

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LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (C118 CHURCH LANE, AUGHTON, WEST LANCASHIRE BOROUGH) (TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2022

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- . No person shall cause any motor vehicle to proceed over that length f C118 Church Lane, Aughton from U996 Holt Coppice, Aughton for a istance of approximately 25m in a Southerly direction.
- 2. Nothing in this Order shall apply to persons engaged in the carrying
- 3. The prohibition will be operative from 0730 hours on Monday  $20^{\rm th}$  June 2022 until 1500 hours on Wednesday  $29^{\rm th}$  June 2022 or until completion of the works within this period.
- 4. An alternative route for vehicular traffic affected by the closure is via: C117 Bold Lane, Aughton C117 Smithy Lane, Aughton U992 St Michael Road, Aughton C118 St Michael Road, Aughton A59 Northway, Aughton C121 Winifred Lane, Aughton and vice versa.

The temporary prohibition is necessary to allow repairs to a defective sewer to prevent foul flooding to be carried out by Sapphire Utility Solutions on behalf of United Utilities.

Authority given for this Order to be made: Peter Bell, Regulation and Enforcement M Highways and Transport, 0300 123 6780 ent Manager

[Ref: HRiT/36465/EW]

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## LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (C145 BLACKGATE LANE, TARLETON, WEST LANCASHIRE BOROUGH) (TEMPORARY PROHBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2022

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Regulation Act 1984, as amended, the effect of which will be to

temporarily prohibit traffic on the roads set out in this notice.

1. No person shall cause any motor vehicle to proceed over that length

of C145 Blackgate Lane, Tarleton from C142 Church Road, Tarleton to

- U1217 Sutton Lane, Tarleton. 2. Nothing in this order shall apply to persons engaged in the carrying
- 2. Nothing in this order Shall apply to persons engaged in the carrying out of the works.

  3. The prohibition will be operative daily between 0930 hours and 1500 hours from Monday 13th June 2022 until Tuesday 14th June 2022 or until completion of the works within this period.

  4. An alternative route for vehicular traffic affected by the closure is via:
- C142 Church Road, Tarleton A565 Southport New Road, Tarleton -
- C142 Church Road, Tarleton A565 Southport New Road, Tarleton –
  C145 Blackgate Lane, Tarleton and vice versa.
  The temporary prohibition is necessary to allow blockage clearance
  works to be carried out by Sunbelt Rentals UK on behalf of BT.
  Authority given for this Order to be made:
  Peter Bell, Regulation and Enforcement Manager, Highways and
  Transport, 0300 123 6780 [Ref: HRIT/36975/EW]

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LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (C162 BANK BROW, UP HOLLAND, WEST LANCASHIRE BOROUGH) (TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2022

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Lancashire County Council have made an Order under Section 14(1) (a) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, as amended, the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit traffic on the roads set out in this notice.

- No person shall cause any motor vehicle to proceed over that length of C162 Bank Brow, Up Holland from C162 Appley Lane South, Appley Bridge to U1167 Ayrefield Road, Up Holland.
- 2. Nothing in this order shall apply to persons engaged in the carrying out of the works.
- 3. The prohibition will be operative from 0800 hours until 1600 hours on Sunday  $12^{\rm m}$  June 2022 or until completion of the works within this period. Access for residents will be maintained whenever and wherever possible.

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4. An alternative route for vehicular traffic affected by the closure is via:C162 Appley Lane South, Appley Bridge - C162 Appley Lane North,
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Lane, Wrightington - A5209 Sparrow Hill, Parbold - A5209 Parbold Hill,
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Holland - C162 Roby Mill, Up Holland and vice versa.

The temporary prohibition is necessary to allow tree cutting and overhead cabling works to be carried out by Sunbelt Rentals UK on behalf of BT.

Authority given for this Order to be made: Peter Bell, Regulation and Enforcement M Highways and Transport, 0300 123 6780 nt Manager [Ref: HRiT/36410/EW]

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LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
(U1068 COUNTY ROAD NOS 124 – 150, ORMSKIRK,
WEST LANCASHIRE BOROUGH)
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Regulation Act 1984, as amended, the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit traffic on the roads set out in this notice.

1. No person shall cause any motor vehicle to proceed over that length of U1068 County Road Nos 124 – 150, Ormskirk in its entirety.

2. Nothing in this order shall apply to persons engaged in the carrying

out of the works. 3. The prohibition will be operative daily between 0800 hours and 1800

3. The prolition will be operative daily owever lost on tours and 1800 hours from Tuesday 7th June 2022 until Tuesday 14th June 2022 or until completion of the works within this period. Access for residents will be maintained whenever and wherever possible.

4. An alternative route for vehicular traffic affected by the closure will not be provided as access will be maintained for residents.

The temporary prohibition is necessary to allow carriageway resurfacing works to be carried out by Lancashire County Council

Authority given for this Order to be made:
Peter Bell, Regulation and Enforcement Manager, Highways and
Transport, 0300 123 6780 [Ref: HRIT/37276/EW]



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LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL.

(U1225 DELTA PARK DRIVE AND U1227 HAZELWOOD DRIVE,
HESKETH BANKS, WEST LANCASHIRE BOROUGH) (TEMPORARY
PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2022

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Lancashire County Council intend to
make an Order under Section 14(1) (a) of the Road Traffic

Republishing Act 1984 as approached the effect of which will be to

make an Urder under Section 14(1) (a) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, as amended, the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit traffic on the roads set out in this notice.

1. No person shall cause any motor vehicle to proceed over the following lengths of highway in the West Lancashire Borough:
1. U1225 Delta Park Drive, Hesketh Bank from C147 Chapel Road,
Hesketh Bank to U1226 Ribble Drive, Hesketh Bank.
iii. U1227 Hazelwood Drive, Hesketh Bank from U1225 Delta Park Drive, Hesketh Bank for approximately 80m in a Westerly direction.

2. Nothing in this order shall apply to persons engaged in the carrying but of the works.

out of the works. 3. The prohibition will be operative daily between 0800 hours and 1800 hours from Thursday 26th May 2022 to Tuesday 31st May 2022 or until completion of the works within this period. Access will be maintained

whenever and wherever possible.

4. An alternative route for vehicular traffic affected by the closures is not possible owing to both U1225 Delta Park Drive, Hesketh Bank and U1227 Hazelwood Drive, Hesketh Bank being a no through roads. The temporary prohibition is necessary to allow carriageway inlay works to be carried out by Lancashire County Council.

Authority given for this Order to be made: Peter Bell, Regulation and Enforcement Manager, Highways and Transport, 0300 123 6780 [Ref: HRIT/36982/EW]

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LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (U674 BLAKEHALL, SKELMERSDALE, WEST LANCASHIRE BOROUGH)

WEST LANCASHIRE BOROUGH)
(TEMPORARY PROHBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIX) ORDER 2022
(TEMPORARY AMENDMENT) ORDER 2022
The Lancashire County Council ("the County Council") in exercise of its powers under Section 14(1) (a) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, as amended, (the Act), and of all other enabling powers, HEREBY makes the following Order:The Lancashire County Council (U673 MARTINS LANE, SKELMERSDALE, WEST LANCASHIRE BOROUGH) (TEMPORARY PROHBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIX) ORDER 2022), is hereby temporarily Amended in that:

porarily Amended in that:
To amend Article 1 as follows:

No person shall cause any motor vehicle to proceed over that length of U674 Blakehall, Skelmersdale from its Southerly junction with U673 Martins Lane, Skelmersdale for an approximate distance of 105m in a

Westerly direction..

ii. To amend Article 4 as follows:

An alternative route for vehicular traffic affected by the closure is not possible owing to U674 Blakehall, Skelmersdale being a no through

This Temporary Amendment Order shall come into operation or This Temporary Amendment Order Shall come into Operation on Tuesday 17th May 2022 and may be cited as "The Lancashire County Council (U674 BLAKEHALL, SKELMERSDALE, WEST LANCASHIRE BOROUGH) (TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2022 (TEMPORARY AMENDMENT)

**ORDER 2022"** Authority given for this Order to be made:
Peter Bell, Regulation and Enforcement Manager, Highways and
Transport, 0300 123 6780 [Ref: HRIT/36852/EW/1]



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LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
(U1225 DELTA PARK DRIVE AND U1227 HAZELWOOD DRIVE,
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West Lancashire Borough Council Planning (Listed Buildings & Conservation Areas) Act 1990 Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015 - Article 15

APPLICATION(S) FOR PLANNING PERMISSION 2020/1251/OUT Demolition of existing buildings and outline planning application for up to 53 dwellings (Use Class C3) together with associated vehicular access (including details of access and landscaping) at Land At The Junction With Pinfold Road, Wigan Road, Ormskirk. 2022/0290/LBC: Listed Building Consent - replace main roof and kitchen

roof, rebuild chimney, paint windows, repoint external walls, internal wall alterations, repair and build up boundary wall and alterations to garage and patio at 11 Roby Mill.

and pails at 11 roop Mill.
The application affects a Listed Building.
The application affects a Conservation Area.
2022/0293/FUL Alterations to the listed building - replace main roof and kitchen roof, rebuild chimney, paint windows, repoint external walls. internal wall alterations, repair and build up boundary wall and alterations to garage and patio at 11 Roby Mill

The application affects a Conservation Area.
The application affects a Listed Building.
2022/0344/FUL First floor side extension at Rocky Bank, Brandreth Park.

The application affects a Conservation Area.

2022/0407/FUL Change of Use to Lower Ground Unit C from Retail (E(a)) to Hot Food Takeaway (Sui Generis). Various alteration works to include to Not Pood Takeaway (Sul General). Validus alteration works to include installation of: bin store, fencing, external plant equipment, new shop front and supply/extract gniles at Regal House, 37 Church Street, Ormskirk The application affects a Conservation Area.

2022/0447/FUL Change of use of the upper floors to create student accommodation. External alterations to the side and rear of the building.

Erection of side and rear extension and any associated works at The Market Cross , 26 Church Street, Ormskirk

The application affects a Conservation Area.

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2022/0449/LBC Listed Building Consent - Strengthening work to bridge at Railway Bridge, Moor Street, Ormskirk.

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The application affects a Listed Building.

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listed II building (retrospective) at Crossing Cottage, Ferrett Lane, Off

listed II building (retrospective) at Crossing Cottage, Ferrett Lane, Off Culvert Lane, Newburgh The application affects a Listed Building. 2022/0469/FUL Vanation of Condition No 1 of Planning Permission 2020/0906/ARM relating to changes to house types at Land To The East Of, Firswood Road, Lathom 2022/0493/LBC Listed Building Consent - Proposed single storey rear extension to replace an existing conservatory and form a traditional constructed lounge/garden room extension at Drapers Farmhouse, Finch Lane, Appley Bridge The application affects a Listed Building. The applications are available for viewing on the Council's website www.westlancs.gov.uk/planning. If it is not possible for you to view the application via the Council's website, please contact the office to discuss alternative arrangements for viewing the application. If you wish to

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application number.

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The story goes that Mercedes-Benz wanted to sell off one of its prized 300SLR 'Ulenhaut' Coupés – only two exist, and until very recently, it owned both of them. If you're a petrolhead it might look familiar because it bears a passing resemblance to the merely very expensive 300SL 'Gullwing', but these prototypes have bespoke bodywork and the straight-eight engine based on that of the W196R Grand Prix car. It also had a fairly high-profile career, showing off the carmaker's heritage around the world, and Mercedes was insistent that anyone who bought it would not be allowed to simply squirrel it away in a heated garage somewhere, never to be seen again.

So it asked various members of the one per cent to bring their private jets to Stuttgart, treated them to a slap-up lunch at its museum and then asked RM Sotheby's to auction it.

The final price was €135 million, making it the most valuable cars ever sold at auction, one of the top 10 most expensive things sold at auction, and the first time I can remember that a Ferrari 250 GTO hasn't held that honour. For the same money, you could buy 9,737 Kia Picantos, 50 Bugatti Chirons, or an entire Jack Grealish. With enough change spare for a stately home.



It's nearly three times the previous record for a car price, and you might be wondering why anyone would want to pay this extraordinary amount for something that's still only limited to 60mph on the Formby Bypass. Well, the SLR's final price is still only a fraction of what someone paid for Leonardi da Vinci's Salvator Mundiin 2017, and that's just a slab of canvas with some paint slapped on it. At least that's a thing, in any meaningful sense of the word some muppet paid a shade under 92million dollars for a non-fungible token of The Merge, which isn't an artwork but an online record saying that you own it. Except that anyone else can do anything with it. Weird.

When petrol costs £1.64 a litre and your gas bill's shot up it seems counter-intuitive talking about someone spending £115m on an old Mercedes, but if it's any consolation the suits in Stuttgart will be using the money to provide new educational scholarships for people studying environmental science, so the money isn't just going to fund a yacht somewhere.

So there you have it, the world's most expensive car just got a lot more expensive. See, I told you that prices had gone up... David Simister, Editor - Classic Car Weekly



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